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FIRST LUNA COUNTY CHAUTAUQUA COMING

Assembly to Convene Here May 2 and Continue With Strong and Varied Program to May 8.

EVERYBODY IS BOOSTING IT

Citizens Behind the Enterprise Must Sell \$1,500 Worth of Tickets Before the Opening Date.

The first chautauqua assembly to be held in Luna county will begin in Deming the first week in May, and it is safe to predict that it will be a great success from every point of view, bring its diversion of clean entertainment and educational uplift.

The decision of a few public spirited citizens to have a chautauqua assembly is another proof of Deming's growing popularity as an educational center. The enterprising citizens that have made the event possible are being congratulated and are receiving the hearty support of everyone in the community, thus assuring the chautauqua as a permanent institution in Luna county.

The program has been well selected with all tastes for amusement and diversion in view, beginning with the Comus players on Tuesday evening, May 2, who will present scenes from Shakespearean drama, followed by "Carson of the North Wood," a play of the Canadian country near Quebec.

WEDNESDAY

10 a. m., Supt. H. E. Hendrix will lecture on "Counting the Cost."

2:30 p. m., the International Operatic Company will make their first appearance. The company is headed by Burt E. McKinnie, for many years with the Savage English Opera Company.

3 p. m., Dr. Thomas E. Green, one of the greatest platform orators of the age, and world traveler, will lecture on "The Forces That Failed," in which he undertakes to prove that "Europe exploded because it was loaded."

4 p. m., organization of the Junior Chautauqua for all the boys and girls between the ages of eight and fourteen years. This is one of the big features of the entire week. This hour will be directed by a competent young woman, who will take the children back to the time "when knighthood was in flower." She will bring costumes and teach the children the stories and games of the Thirteenth century.

7:30 p. m., a grand concert by the International Operatic Company.

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Presbyterian Church

Easter Sunday will be observed at 11 a. m. with special Knights Templar services. Address by the pastor. The following musical program will be rendered at 8 p. m. with an Easter meditation by the pastor.

Organ Voluntary, Miss Wamel; Anthem, Christ is Risen, Adams; Choir: Scripture reading and prayer, Pastor; Hymn No. 244; Solo: A Song of Victory, Mrs. Sam Watkins; Quartet: Hallelujah, Christ is risen, Mesdames Hillis, Spencer, Schurtz; Miss Bonham; Trio, The Winter is Past, Mrs. Watkins, Mr. Maple Mr. Brown; Anthem, Angelic Voices Cry, Choir; Solo, It is Finished, Mrs. R. C. Spencer; Offertory, Miss Wamel; Quartet, Rise Glorious Conqueror, Messrs. Malcom, Maple, Schurtz and Brown; Duet, Ring Out ye Bells, Mrs. Hillis and Mrs. Schurtz; Hymn No. 234; Benediction.

The best Vanishing cream on the market.—Penslar—Satisfaction guaranteed.—Rosser Drug Co.

W. S. Farraw and family have moved here from Imperial Valley, Cal., and have purchased a farm near Iola.

L. T. Stewart and family, formerly of Okmulgee, Okla., is in the city looking for a location.

Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Snodgrass left the city this morning for an outing at Cow Springs.

G. M. Sadler is back from an extended trip to Illinois.

REPUBLICANS CHOOSE DELEGATES TO STATE CONVENTION

The Republican county convention convened at 2 o'clock yesterday at the City Hall and elected B. Y. McKee, Frank DeLauney, Jr., and Dr. C. L. Betts as delegates to the state Republican convention that meets in Albuquerque April 25 to choose delegates to the national Republican convention that meets in Chicago in June. W. S. Clark was chairman of the convention, which was harmonious throughout.

H. S. Carter and F. C. Parrish have established a cash grocery store at Columbus under the firm name of Carter & Parrish. The stock of the Seogin and McKinney firm was purchased and moved to Columbus.

Fresh shipments of Bunte's bulk chocolates at Rosser's.

Mrs. George A. Watkins of Hachita was a visitor in Deming for the last few days.

W. E. Barnes, the genial traveling freight and passenger agent for the S. P. arrived in Deming Wednesday evening on one of his periodical trips.

BASEBALL SEASON OPENS HERE AT 2:30 P. M. AT BALL PARK

Local High School Nine to Cross Bats With Husky Farmers of the State College: Both are Strong Claiming Victory to be Theirs.

The first game of the 1916 season will be played at the local ball park this afternoon when the Deming High School nine will cross bats with the New Mexico Agricultural college. The High School has a good team this year and the Aggies are also reported to be stronger than ever before and a good game is expected. The majority of merchants in town have signified their intention of closing shop while the game is going on, so that every fan in town will have an opportunity to see the opening game. A band concert has been arranged for during the first game.

The High school boys have been practicing every day for the past few weeks and under the instruction of Coach Ellison, they hope to take the Aggies into camp.

Several new faces will be seen in the High School's line-up this year. Burr will pitch the opening game. Tomorrow they will play the Aggies another game. The selection of the battery for the game has not yet been announced.

Mrs. Joe Collins Dead

Mrs. Joe Collins, daughter of J. A. Beal, was killed in an automobile accident either Monday or Tuesday when the car in which she and a driver were riding from the Collins ranch near Douglas, Ariz., turned turtle. The driver was instantly killed and Mrs. Collins was so severely injured that she died in a very short time afterwards. The message which brought the sad news did not state the cause of the accident which resulted in the overturning of the car. The body arrived here last night and burial will be made in the local cemetery. Other funeral arrangements could not be learned. Carl Collins, a brother-in-law of the dead woman, went to Douglas to bring a child to relatives here. The husband survives.

Ray Grayson of Tierra Blanca was in Deming Tuesday.

J. H. Brown of Santa Rita was in the city this week.

M. M. Pena is the proud owner of a new Ford touring car purchased from the local agency.

J. S. Kerr of the local Ford agency reports the sale of a Ford touring car to C. B. Neil.

A. T. Coffin has sold his farm near Hondale to Hy J. Bowles of San Antonio, Tex. Mr. Bowles will move here with his family in June. Mr. Coffin will engage in the automobile tire sales business in El Paso, though for the present his family will remain on their homestead near Hondale.

T. B. Reynolds of Tyrone was transacting business in Deming Tuesday.

SEVEN VILLISTAS ARE CONVICTED OF MURDER

Indicted Saturday, Secured Sunday and Found Guilty Thursday, is Record for Quick Justice.

TWO MORE ARE TO BE TRIED

Juries Take Only Few Minutes to Decide That Mexicans Captured at Columbus are Guilty.

It took a Luna county jury just twenty minutes to find a verdict of "guilty of murder in the first degree" against Juan Rangel, Eusebio Renteria, Taurino Gatica, Jose Rodriguez, Francisco Alsaes and Juan Castillo for their participation in the Columbus raid March 9. Argument in the case was completed shortly before noon yesterday and a few minutes past noon the jury filed back into the court room with their verdict. The prisoners were given a fair and speedy trial. The case was opened Wednesday morning and the sentence of the court will be passed next Monday. As the crime carries the death penalty, the execution by hanging will take place at the local jail within the next thirty days unless a stay of execution is secured. The alternative is unlikely.

The prosecution was conducted by assistant district attorney J. S. Vaught and the defense by Buell Wood of Carrizozo. The state introduced the testimony of Constable T. A. Hulse, P. K. Lemmon, Jr., Sam Ravel, Lurid Filmore of the U. S. Army, B. S. Aguirre and L. A. Riggs all of Columbus. The testimony brought out the details of the raid and tended to identify the defendants with it. By their own admission, they were part of the Villa command and at the time were wounded by American soldiers. The defendants were put on the stand in their own behalf and their testimony went no further than to show that they were forced into Villa service and had no knowledge that they were on American soil and taking part in the commission of a felony whereby murder was committed. Counsel for the defense and the prosecuting attorney amplified these points in their arguments. Judge Medler gave the jury lengthy instructions, pointing out that the prisoners might be found guilty no matter how small their connection with the actual killing.

The prisoners were brought into court dressed in blue denim shirts and overalls furnished them by the county. All were wounded and only two could stand up when the indictment was read. One was brought in lying on a cot. The court room was crowded most of the time, many women being among the spectators. The prisoners made no sign when the court interpreter made known to them the verdict.

"Jaruado del muerte" (journey of death), is the way the six Villa prisoners captured wounded near El Valle in Mexico by United States troops, described their advent into Deming Sunday from Columbus under the charge of Sheriff W. C. Simpson of Luna county. The indictments charge the prisoners with the murder of James T. Dean, Charles D. Miller, Paul Simon and J. J. Moore. Francisco Villa was indicted at the same time on the two counts before mentioned, and if captured will no doubt be tried in Deming.

Attorney Wood of the defense had his first consultation with the prisoners at the jail Tuesday morning. One of the men caught at El Valle was an orderly to Villa and was present at the Columbus raid and the Santa Isabel massacre. At first the men would not converse confidentially with the counsel, but when they understood the full significance of the service which it is his duty to render, they agreed to tell the story fully and did so using the orderly as spokesman.

There is some speculation here as to what attitude the administration will take toward the executions. The efforts of the state department to interfere with the executions of condemned Mexican murderers in Arizona are well known and it is quite possible that the department may seek to have the executions stayed. No doubt, military developments will

have much to do with this. There was little interest locally in the trial itself, the citizens evidently feeling that a Luna county jury could be trusted to see impartial justice done. There is intense interest, however, in the executions. The men with two exceptions are illiterate and are no more accountable for their actions in the popular estimation than the vicious cyclone. The failure to capture the leaders that plotted the raid, is responsible for this feeling.

Shortly before court took recess at noon Wednesday afternoon until 8 o'clock that evening, the state rested its case.

There are three others in jail who will be tried on a like charge for participation in the raid of the Villa force on Columbus. The three yet to be tried were taken during or immediately following the raid. Their names are Juan Sanchez, Pablo Sanchez, and Jesus Pais.

An agent of the department of justice tried yesterday morning to have the case continued, but Judge Medler could see no reason for granting the request. Although the agent remained in the city until the end of the trial he made no further representations.

The agent argued that the matter of jurisdiction was involved. Judge Medler pointed out that the prisoners had been turned over by the military authorities to the civil authorities and indicted in a regular way and that he could see no grounds for the contention. Judge Medler answered a like request in the same manner which reached him by phone from U. S. Attorney Burkhardt at Albuquerque, inviting that official to be present at the trial to see that full justice was done.

The following are the names of the jurors: B. R. Wood, Louis Dornbush, Wright Shaw, Sim Holstein, Albert Field, George H. Phillips, George R. Maivel, William Wells, A. S. White, C. R. Sundquist, LeRoy Hon, E. M. Chase and C. W. Haskins.

Juan Sanchez, the seventh Villista raider to be tried for complicity in the Columbus fight, was at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon found guilty of murder in the first degree by a jury that was out thirty minutes. Sanchez' trial began at 2 o'clock. The defendant admitted he was in the party that gathered before the Commercial hotel that was burned after the proprietor and several of his guests had been shot down. The state developed such a weight of evidence in the trial ending in the conviction of the first raiders placed on trial that it did not place all at its witnesses on the stand.

PANTHOM MEXICAN RAIDERS SEEN NEAR SEPAR STATION

There was considerable excitement in Deming Sunday night when a report was circulated to the effect that seventy-five armed and mounted bandits had been seen just south of Separ. Automobileists had evidently been mixing their gasoline with alcohol to a considerable extent and lingered long enough at Separ to tell the Southern Pacific operator of their narrow escape. The operator reported the matter to Deming and Sheriff W. C. Simpson was notified. A posse left on train No. 9 for the scene, but failed to find any trace of the panthom raiders. Several automobile loads of armed citizens also took up the road to Separ. Reports of trouble with Mexican miners at Lordsburg took the belligerent Demingites to that point where thirty Arizonians were found to be the only disturbing element. The local National Guard company was not called.

Social Circle

The Ladies' Social Circle of the Presbyterian church will give an Easter social at the home of J. Louis Brown, Tuesday evening, April 25. The following program has been arranged:

Vocal solo.....Mrs. V. S. Hillis
Piano Solo.....Katherine Wamel
Vocal solo.....Laura Comer
Piano solo.....Esther Bolleh
Vocal solo.....Mrs. Sam Watkins
Vocal duet in costume.....Misses Combs and Hillis

"Two Jolly Bachelor Girls" a skit.
—Faye McKee and Margaret Randolph

Two pantomimes, "A Gentlemenly Pig" and "A Sale of Bachelors." Refreshments will be served.

Do you appreciate the best in toilet waters? Then try Moorland at Rosser's.

LUNA COUNTY GRAND JURY FINDS ALL QUIET

Returned Seven No Bills and Thirty-Eight True Bills Last Saturday Morning and are Dismissed.

FIND THE JAIL IN BAD SHAPE

"Not fit for a dog." is the way inquisitorial Body Characterizes the Local Prison in Report.

The final report of the grand jury for this spring term of the district court of the Sixth Judicial District was returned before Judge E. L. Medler of Las Cruces last Saturday morning. The jury was discharged. The following were the grand jurors: M. A. Nordhaus, foreman; J. N. Holcomb, Joe Deckert, C. W. Cook, A. L. Foster, L. H. McDougal, W. H. Coleman, Edwin Dean, Jolly Garner, R. B. Foulkner, J. H. Lester, C. R. Stevenson, H. G. Bush, B. M. Groves, J. T. Hall, Wheeler Calhoun, E. E. Marr, S. M. Sveier, L. M. Noel, H. Dial and Otto Leupold.

Friday Mrs. Angel Martinez was fined \$5 and costs for not sending her child to school. The sentence was suspended.

Saturday Amada Tereera and Daniel Evita were arraigned on a charge of larceny from dwelling. The latter pled not guilty. Francisco Acosta was arraigned for murder and pled not guilty. His trial is set for today. Guadalupe Pesos was tried on a charge of murder and acquitted. He killed another Mexican that had improper relations with his wife. Juan Sanchez, Pablo Sanchez and Jesus Pais were arraigned on a charge of murder, growing out of the Columbus raid. They pled not guilty. Andy Brewer pled not guilty to a larceny charge. G. T. Stallings, Francisco and Jose Acero were fined \$5 and costs for not sending their children to school. The sentences were suspended.

Monday, Apolonia Garcia pled guilty to larceny. F. Garcia and M. Manoz pled not guilty to receiving stolen property. Their case has been held over to the next term of court.

Juan Martinez and R. Espinosa were tried together on a charge of larceny of horses. The latter was found guilty and the former not guilty. Walter Leffler pled guilty to kidnapping a man within a settlement. W. H. Jones was acquitted of a charge of larceny.

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Women's Missionary Society

The Women's Missionary Society of the Presbyterian church held its regular meeting last Monday afternoon. Owing to the illness of Mrs. George Wright who was to have been the hostess, the meeting was held in the church. Mr. A. A. Almy led the devotion and L. E. Welch had charge of the subject "Our Freedmen and India."

A report of the Probyterial held at Socorro last week was given by Mrs. H. T. Mithelmore who was the delegate from the local society.

Resolution of Respect

WHEREAS, it has pleased our Heavenly Father to take from our midst our beloved brother L. J. Carter, and WHEREAS, in the loss of Brother Carter we have been deprived of one of our most devoted members, and the many relatives and friends have lost one whose sunny disposition will be greatly mourned and missed, be it,
RESOLVED, that we give public expression of our sorrow, and that we extend to the many relatives and friends our sympathy in this their time of bereavement and that a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes of Ruth Chapter No. 6, O. E. S. and a copy published.

Mollie Pennington
Alice Barracks
Fred Sherman

Social Circle

The Social Circle of the Christian church met yesterday afternoon with Mrs. F. D. Vickers. After the usual business session a social hour was enjoyed during which delightful refreshments were served by the hostess.

BOOSTER TRIP FOR BENEFIT OF CHAUTAUQUA HELD HERE

All those that want to have a jolly day visiting Hurley, Santa Rita, Fierro, Ft. Bayard, Silver City and Tyrone, leave your names at the Chamber of Commerce not later than tomorrow night. The occasion is a booster trip of the people of Deming which will be made Monday for the purpose of boosting our Chautauqua.

The trip will begin at 6:30 in the morning, lasting all day and will return about 7:30 at night. Eight people have already guaranteed their cars, but we want more. Frank Nordhaus, president of the Chautauqua association is in charge of the trip, and he wishes everybody that cares to make the trip to let it be known right away. There will be room for forty people.

J. L. Greenwood of Columbus was in the city yesterday.

C. H. Lester of El Paso was in the city early this week.

R. H. Royall of Whitewater was a Deming visitor Wednesday.

VILLA CHASE COMES TO STAND STILL BECAUSE OF HOSTILITY

Threatening Attitude of de Facto Government's Forces Causes the Advanced Columns Searching for Villa to Fall Back on the Base.

San Antonio, Tex., April 18.—Gen. Bell, reporting from El Paso to Gen. Funston gave it as his opinion, after thorough investigations he made, that the report of Villa's death had been manufactured in Juarez.

Reports were received here today from Mexican sources that the American expeditionary forces were being constrained in three places, among detachments near Satevo, the main column near Namiquipa and a third division near Colonia Dublan.

These reports also stated that the Parral fighting had had a most unfortunate effect upon the people of northern Mexico and had greatly inflamed the anti-American feeling. The Parral incident, it was said, had been magnified by anti-American and anti-Carranza agitators into a great battle in which the Americans were badly beaten.

The Mexican dead were accounted for as unarmed citizens who had been killed by the Americans before the Parral garrison could interfere.

The American punitive expedition has practically come to a halt in its pursuit of Villa. Dispatches from the front say that only small detachments of cavalry are operating in a limited degree near the base.

No decision as to the withdrawal of the American troops from Mexico is expected for a week or ten days, unless there are new outbreaks against the forces in Mexico to compel immediate action. This was made clear yesterday when Secretary Baker dispatched Maj. Gen. H. L. Scott, chief of staff, to the border as his personal representative to make a complete report on the military problems confronting Gen. Funston.

The administration's final action on Gen. Carranza's suggestion that the expedition be recalled probably will be based largely on what is shown in this report. Gen. Scott, who left Washington yesterday evening, hardly will be able to make the round trip and complete his observations in less than ten days.

Secretary Baker said that Gen. Scott's mission would be to assemble complete information as to the border situation for the use of the department. He also will establish a personal touch with the situation which Secretary Baker has felt the need of in advising the administration as to military aspects of the Mexican question.

Gen. Scott himself explained that he would be the "eyes" of the secretary on the border. Accompanied by his aid, Lieut. Col. Robert E. L. Mich-

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Woman's crowning glory is her hair—Penslar Hair Tonic will keep it long and glossy—Rosser Drug Co.